Sub-centres for local health needs. The State has also been released an amount of Rs. 340.00 lakhs @Rs. 20.00 lakhs per CHC for 17 CHCs for upgradation of these CHCs to Indian Public Health Standards (IPHS).

Community health centres in Jharkhand

1875. MISS MABEL REBELLO: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there are very few community health centres which are functional and the number of public health centres/sub-centres are also not as per the national norms of areas and population in Jharkhand; and

(b) if so, the measures Government are taking to open more community health centres and similar outlets for the convenience of the people of Jharkhand?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI PANABAKA LAKSHMI): (a) There are 47 Community Health Centres (CHCs) functioning in the State of Jharkhand as on September, 2005 as against the requirement of 201 CHCs as per 2001 population norms. The number of Primary Health Centres (PHCs) functioning in the State are 561 as against the requirement of 806 and number of sub-centres functioning as on September, 2005 are 4462 as against the requirement of 5057 as per 2001 population norms.

(b) Under the National Rural Health Mission (NRHM), it is decided to set up Sub-centres and the CHCs (30-50 beds) to meet the population norms as per Census 2001. Also the PHCs would be upgraded to function as 24 hours Referral Service Centres.

Mobile health clinics in Jharkhand

1876. MISS MABEL REBELLO: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether his Ministry and the Government of Jharkhand have so far prepared a State specific project implementation plan to address the health infrastructure weaknesses of the Jharkhand State;

(b) if not, what Government are planning to do; and

(c) whether his Ministry would consider sanctioning of mobile health clinics to Jharkhand to provide basic healthcare to tribal people living in the far-flung areas of the State?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI PANABAKA LAKSHMI): (a) and (b) The State of Jharkhand has requested for construction and maintenance of health infrastructure of the Sub-centres, Primary Health Centres (PHCs) and Community Health Centres (CHCs) and strengthening of these institutions for better health service delivery in their Programme Implementation Plan 2006-07 under National Rural Health Mission (NRHM).

An amount of Rs. 510.60 lakh has been released during 2004-05 and 2005-06 each as untied fund to meet local health need of the Sub-centres in the State. The State has already been released an amount of Rs. 140.25 lakh @Rs. 25,000/- per PHC as united funds for local needs and Rs. 280.50 lakh as Annual Maintenance Grant @Rs. 50,000/- per PHC for maintenance and improvement of physical infrastructure of PHC during 2006-07. The Stte has been resleased an amount of Rs. 1760.00 Lakh @Rs. 20.00 lakh per CHC for upgradation of CHCs to Indian Public Health Standards (IPHS) during 2005-06. It has also been approved to provide funds for an amount of Rs. 27.16 lakh to provide telephones inSub-centres PHCs, CHCs and District Hospitals. For improving physical infrastructure of these institutions an amount of Rs. 1571.79 lakh has been approved in principle with condition to provide operational details before incurring the expenditure.

(c) An amount of Rs. 50.00 lakhs has been approved in principle for provision of one mobile medical unit per district in the State subject to submission of detailed proposal by the State.

Influenza vaccination

1877. MS. SUSHILA TIRIYA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there is no national policy on influenza vaccination;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and